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FOR: DISPERSION RESINS CONTAINING ITACONIC ACID FOR IMPROVING WET ABRASION RESISTANCE

**AMENDMENT**

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Supplemental to the amendment filed October 27, 2003, in response to the Office Action dated May 27, 2003, please reconsider the application in view of the following amendment and remarks:

**AMENDMENT**

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

The Basis for Amendment begins on page 16 of this paper.

The Interview Summary is at page 17 of this paper.

The Remarks begin on page 18 of this paper.

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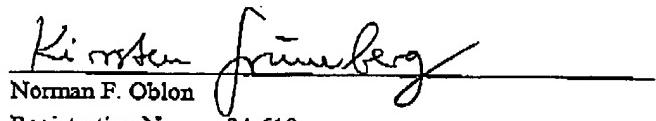
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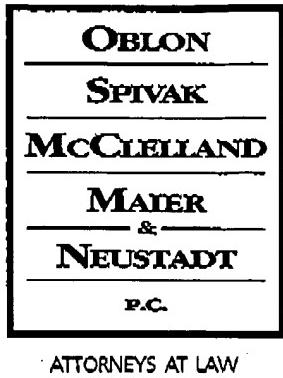
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